## **Order of Service** First Parish in Concord

April 14, 2024

Prelude Hymn Prelude: The Morning Light is Breaking by Flor Peeters – Eric Huenneke, organ

Welcome & Announcements – Rev. Seth Carrier-Ladd

**Opening Hymn #1012** When I Am Frightened

Call to Worship & Unison Chalice Lighting

Unison Response: O flame of our faith, open our hearts And fill our bodies and souls with persistent strength. Enliven our spirits and engage us deeply in this life of ours, This sacred essential moment now. — Paul Sawyer

Wisdom Story

**Invitation to Offering** – Rev. Paul Langston-Daley

Offertory Hymn Prelude: Light of the Anxious Heart by Flor Peeters

To give to the Offering via text message, send a text to 855-691-2592.

Reading "We Give Thanks for Need" adapted from Claudia Ramisch

Anthem *Resonances and Alleluias* by Cathy Moklebust – The Lincoln Ringers, Diane Burke, director

Sermon "Meeting Needs" - Rev. Seth Carrier-Ladd

Anthem Morning Light arr. Stephanie Berryman

Parish Concerns, Calling of Names, & Prayer

Silence

**Responsive Hymn** *I Am the Calm* by Carole Marie Downing

I am the calm in the eye of the storm, come to center. I am the calm in the eye of the storm, take a breath. I am the calm in the eye of the storm, come to center. I am the calm in the eye of the storm, you can rest. I am the calm.

## Volunteer Recognition Ceremony - Standing & Congregational Life Committees

## **Closing Words**

Closing Hymn Life Calls Us On by Jason Shelton and Kendyl Gibbons

## **Extinguish Chalice & Benediction**

Go out into the world in peace Have courage Hold on to what is good Return to no person evil for evil Strengthen the faint-hearted Support the weak Help the suffering Honor all beings

Postlude Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds by Cathy Moklebust

We invite you to stay seated as our service concludes with the postlude.

Many people contribute to making our Sunday worship services a smooth and meaningful experience, both in person and on Zoom. Thank you to the many volunteers who give generously of their time, including the First Parish Choir, flower committee, ushers, and Zoom chat hosts. Thanks also to our staff worship team:

*Rev. Seth Carrier-Ladd Interim Senior Minister* 

*Rev. Elizabeth Ide Minister for Congregational Care* 

*Rev. Amy Freedman Minister of Religious Education* 

*Rev. Paul Langston-Daley Minister of Social Action* 

Beth Norton Director of Music Ministry Eric Huenneke Organist

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